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THE TRIFLER.——No. IV.

O'er earth, through Heav'n, and all-ſurrounding ſky,
Tho' borne on infant wings, I'll dare to fly;
Aſcend to Jove, and hear his thunders hurl'd,
And ſee his lightnings flaſh from world to world;
Earth how it hangs, the planets how they roll,
And that eternal firmament that rounds the whole!

MANUSCRIPT POEM.

THERE is an Archangel who yearly traverſes this globe with a balloon of a vaſt ſize, viewing every nation, and inveſtigating the manners of mankind. Lunardi, ſome years ago, aſcended at Naples in his balloon; he was ſuddenly carried to a great height by a whirlwind: The Archangel, being at that time paſſing, took hold of Lunardi, and placed him beſide himſelf. Struck with amazement, Lunardi loſt all recollection, until the city of Fez appeared. The Archangel diſpatched him down to this metropolis. The Emperor and Imperial family were in the gardens when he alighted. Their wonder was great. The Emperor approached the aeronaut, and enquired if he brought any meſſage from Heaven?—"Yes!—You muſt aſcend with me into the heavens!" The Emperor, with all his Court, fell proſtrate; then gently raiſing himſelf, the monarch ſtepped into the gallery.

The attraction of the heavenly voyager drew them directly to himſelf. The aſtoniſhment the King at firſt was ſtruck with, could receive no addition from the new objects before him. The Archangel took them out of their airy chariot, and now they hung aloft over the mountains Atlas. The Emperor viewed his domains beneath, and, aſſiſted with a glaſs prepared for mortal eyes, ſurveyed the coaſt of Afric round and round. He began with the point of Ceuta, tracing the coaſt of Morocco, towards Zaara, where he beheld the caravans travelling through the parched wilds. The lion ſtalked with majeſty over the plains, knowing no ſuperior, every other animal yielding to his ſtrength, or flying from his preſence: His roar echoed through the mountains. The winds heaved the ſands in cloudy volumes to the ſky. The ocean foamed along the ſhore. Guinea offered a very different picture; the lands produce every fruit and flower; and its rivers roll in golden tides to the ſea.

He explored the country of the Caffres, whoſe rough and unpoliſhed manners are a diſgrace to human nature. The Emperor was diſguſted; and, looking towards the Cape, he beheld European fleets ſaluting one another with imitated thunders, their ſtreamers flying, and their decks crouded with mariners. "To what nations do theſe belong?"

——— ——— (replied the Archangel) from Britannia, a nation that exceeds all others in power, in wealth; her ſons are the favourites of heaven: Each corner of the earth is familiar to them; and they go with facility from pole to pole. Behold yonder, in the ſouthern deep, the adventurous Cook! and, hovering over him, a guard of angels!"

The monarch now viewed the Straits of Mozambique, the fertile plains of Zanquebar, and the deſerts of Anian.

His eye was attracted by an immenſe multitude upon the borders of Nubia and Abyſſinia; the Abyſſinian King ſurrounded by all his nobles and all his army; their ſhining arms covered them with lightning. The lion and tiger, princes of the woods, and the crocodile, the monarch of the river, ſullenly retired to their dark abodes. He ſpied the ſource of the Nile; and, following its courſe, the great city of Cairo ſuddenly broke upon his view. He ſtarted back when he beheld the Sphinx, which the Emperor conceived to be near him, and living. The plains were overſpread with Janizaries, and their proud commander,

——— ——— thro' the armed files
Darts his experienc'd eye, and ſoon traverſe,
The whole battalion views, their order due,
Their vizages and ſtature as of gods:
Their number laſt he ſums; and now his heart
Diſtends with pride, and, hard'ning in his ſtrength,
Glories.——— M.

His Imperial Majeſty forgot his ſituation, and aſked the Archangel, if it was poſſible to add all theſe kingdoms to his dominion; aſſuring him that he would govern the whole with equity: "The ſpot aſſigned me is ſmall and paltry."

The Archangel ſoared to a greater height, where they had a view of the whole earth. As they aſcended, Africa leſſened by degrees, and America, Aſia, and Europe roſe above the waves, ſpreading round the globe. At once they ſaw the Pacific and Atlantic rolling on each ſide the Line! The poles ſhook their ſnowy heads. Upon the right hand they beheld the day blazing over half the world; and, upon the left, they ſaw the night, with her moon and ſparkling ſtars. The earthly voyagers remained dumb with aſtoniſhment at the vaſt proſpect of land, and ſea, and ſky. The thunder burſt the clouds under their feet; the raging tempeſt made the ocean boil; and they viewed whole navies toſſed about upon the troubled element.

The Archangel alighted within the Artic circle; his preſence diſſolved the mountains and vallies of ice; a new ocean daſhed at his feet. Hence they rapidly aſcended to the gates of heaven. The earth now appeared to them as does the moon to its inhabitants. The univerſe was ſpread before them. They beheld every planet and every ſtar making their revolution round the throne of Jove, who ſat ſupremely great above all height, hid amidſt his own glories! Lunardi gazed around with awful wonder from this high ſeat: He once reſolved to plunge into the vaſt expanſe: He beſeeched the Archangel to cauſe a heavenly breeze favour his deſcent to the earth.

The ſolemn ſound of diſtant planets—the alternate reign of ſilence and thunderings—the ſhower which fell upon all the univerſe—the ſudden darkneſs that o'erſpread the worlds, whoſe huge orbs ſparkled through the gloom of night—and that ſudden univerſal day, blazing from ten thouſand riſing ſuns, unlooſed the weak frames of mortals. The Almighty looked down with compaſſion. Jove roſe from his throne; his glories darted through the ſkies;—

——————He gave the nod,
The ſtamp of fate, and ſanction of the god;
High heav'n with trembling the dread ſignal took,
And all Olympus to her centre ſhook. P. H. I.

The earthly voyagers ſunk into a trance of ecſtaſy; and, when they awaked, they found themſelves under an arbour in the Imperial gardens of Fez. L.

India Tea Warehouſe, Kirkgate, Leith,

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WILLIAM THORBURN takes this method of returning his moſt grateful thanks to the many Ladies and Gentlemen who have had Tea from this warehouſe, and acquaints them, that he has purchaſed a conſiderable quantity of FINE TEAS at the India Company's October ſale, which he thinks are very cheap. Part of theſe Teas are arrived, each ſingle pound of which will be ſold at the loweſt poſſible wholeſale price, viz. Fine Bohea, 1s. 11d. Good freſh Congo, 3s. 8d. Fine, 4s. Superfine, 4s. 6d. Exceeding good Souchong, 5s. Superfine ditto, 5s. 6d. Peckoe ſort, 6s. Good Singlo Green, 3s. 8d. Fine, 4s. Fine Hyſon, 7s. Cowſlip ditto. 7s. 6d. Gunpowder Tea, 14s. When a cheſt is taken, the ſame allowance of tret will be given as in London.

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N. B. All letters [illegible] application, on the ſecurity of inſurance, will name their age.

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FOR JAMAICA,
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Will certainly be clear to ſail by the 20th December, and will touch as Port Maria, Montague Bay, Lucea, Savannah-la-Mar, and Black River.

AND,

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JOHN FISH Maſter,

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For paſſage in the Euphrates, and freight or paſſage in the Elizabeth, apply to Somervell, Gordon, and Co. Glaſgow, or the maſters at Greenock. *Glaſgow, November 25. 1785.*

FOR JAMAICA,

The Ship MINERVA, ROBERT SPEIRS Maſter, now lying at Port Glaſgow, ready to take goods on board for Kingſton, Morant Bay, and Port Morant, will be clear to ſail by the 25th day of December next.

And the MERCURY, HANNIBAL LUSK Maſter, lying at Greenock, ready to take goods on board for Port Antonio, Annotto Bay, and Port Maria, will be clear to ſail by the 25th day of January next.

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BY ROBERT BEATSON, ESQ.

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VILLA AT LAURIESTOUN.

TO be SOLD, that HOUSE, PARK, and GARDEN at Lauriestoun, preſently poſſeſſed by Mr Robertſon printer. The Houſe conſiſts of 12 fire-rooms, with cloſets, and other conveniencies.—In the principal ſtorey, which is 13 feet high, is a drawing-room, dining-room, parlour, and library—in the upper ſtorey, four bed-rooms, with cloſets to each—in the under ſtorey, a kitchen, a large room to the ſouth, three other rooms, with pantry, cellars, catacombs, &c. There is alſo a cold bath—a coach-houſe and ſtable, with ſtalls for three horſes—likewiſe an ice-houſe, at preſent poſſeſſed on a liferent tack. There is a pump-well of excellent water within 9 feet of the Houſe, from which it is conveyed into the kitchen by a leaden pipe; and, in a ſhort time, the inhabitants of this diſtrict will have the advantage of the town's water, for which a reſervoir is building in the neighbourhood.

The Houſe ſtands in a warm dry ſituation, on a gentle declivity to the ſouth. The proſpects from it are extenſive and delightful. And while it is, in every reſpect, a country reſidence, it has all the advantages and conveniencies of a houſe in town. It is nigh the Univerſity, and other public ſchools; is only a few minutes walk from the Croſs; and the road to the houſe is as well lighted in the evenings as any ſtreet in the city. There is now alſo an eaſy acceſs to the New Town by the Lothian road.

The whole ground conſiſts of about ſix Scots acres; of which two acres are laid out in a garden, the reſt in graſs. It is completely incloſed, both from without, and alſo by a ſunk fence within; round which is a ſerpentine walk, with ſhrubbery, and a flower border. The garden is well ſtored with fruit trees of the beſt kinds, which bear well; and contains about 550 feet of fruit wall, beſides eſpaliers and ſtandards. At the foot of the park is an entry to the Meadow, very convenient for walking.

The whole premiſſes pay only 5 s. yearly of feu-duty, which is not a ſhilling per acre. This ground, ſo very near the city, is now become more valuable, on account of the new South Bridge, which, by opening an eaſy communication between the Old and New Towns, will make it a deſirable place for building on.

The houſe may be ſeen on Tueſdays and Fridays, between twelve and two o'clock.

The whole, or any part of the price, may remain in the hands of the purchaſer, upon proper ſecurity.

For further particulars, apply to the proprietor at the houſe.

HOUSE and GROUND at HOPE PARK

[illegible] Houſe, Edinburgh, upon a leaſe, 17th January next, betwixt the hours of two and three afternoon,

That DWELLING-HOUSE and Offices, with the Gardens and Incloſures thereto belonging, conſiſting of about three Scots acres, lying on the ſouth of Hope Park, and entering by the third door eaſt from the Cage.

Theſe ſubjects hold feu of a ſubject ſuperior, the enty of an heir and ſingular ſucceſſor are both taxed at trifling compoſitions, and the ſuperior is bound to relieve the vaſſal of all public burdens.

If the ſubjects are not ſold, they will be let for one year, and the purchaſer or tenant will have immediate acceſs.

Apply to James Gray writer, Merchant ſtreet. Mrs Allan, next houſe eaſtward on the back road, will ſhow the premiſſes.

Firſt Notice—Second Term.

IN the Proceſs of Ranking and Sale, Colonel James Riddel in the ſervice of the States of Holland, with concourſe of his Majeſty's Advocate, for his Majeſty's intereſt, againſt JOHN JOHNSTON of Thorniewhat, and JOHN HENDERSON JOHNSTON his ſon, and their creditors; the Lord Swinton, Ordinary thereto, by his interlocutor, of date 25th November 1785, aſſigned the 20th of December next, to the whole creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligences, competo them, againſt the bankrupts or their eſtate, and that for the Second Term, with certification as in a reduction and improbation; and appointed this notice thereof, ſo as the ſame may come to the knowledge of all concerned. H. S. STEVENSON, Clk.

LAST NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JAMES and PATRICK HUNTER and CO. ſometime Merchants in Port-Glaſgow, and THOMAS ARTHUR, Merchant in Irvine.

AT a meeting of the creditors of James and Patrick Hunters, and Co. late merchants in Port Glaſgow, and Thomas Arthur merchant in Irvine, held at the Tontine Tavern, Glaſgow, upon Thurſday the 24th November inſtant, they directed their truſtee to make a dividend of the funds collected, or to be collected, upod Monday the 2d day of January next.

Mr Archibald Hamilton the truſtee, therefore deſires all the creditors of the above concern, who have not already lodged their claims, with oaths to the verity thereof, to do ſo betwixt and the 25th day of December next, otherwiſe they will be cut off from any ſhare of the firſt dividend ARCH. HAMILTON.

Glaſgow, November, 25. 1785.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of GEORGE GRAY, Eſq; late of Leaſton.

THE truſtee for Mr Gray's creditors having recovered payment of part of the price of Mr Gray's heritable ſubjects, now intends to make an interim diviſion of what is ſo recovered.—In order to which, the creditors of Mr Gray are deſired to lodge their grounds of debt, and oaths on the verity, with Mr David Ruſſel, accomptant in Edinburgh, the truſtee, or Mr John Smyth, writer to the ſignet, betwixt and the 20th December next; with certification to ſuch as fail, that they will be ſecluded from any ſhare of the preſent diviſion.

FOR St KITT's,
THE HOPE,

JOHN BARBOUR Maſter,

Now taking goods on board at Greenock, and will be clear to ſail by the 30th current.

For St Vincent, to call at Grenada,

The KINGSTON, John Tarbert maſter—is now ready to take on board goods at Greenock, and will be clear to ſail by the 30th current.

For Kingſton and Morant Bay, Jamaica,

The CASTLESEMPLE, Walter Buchanan maſter—Is now loading at Greenock, and will be clear to ſail by the 30th current.

For freight or paſſage in the above veſſels, apply to Malcolm, Ritchie, and Leitch, in Greenock, or Alexander Houſton and Co. in Glaſgow. *Greenock, November 19.*

From the JAMAICA GAZETTE.

Kingston, Sept. 17.

PRIVATE letters are said to be received by the last vessel from Charlestown, which mention, that all the ports of the United States of America, from one end of the Continent to the other, are to be shut against British bottoms on the first of November next, unless a free participation of trade, in their own bottoms, is granted the Americans.

LONDON, *Nov.* 24.

The Princes Ernest Augustus, Augustus Frederick, and Adolphus Frederick, their Majesties three youngest sons, are all under a course of tuition for public life. Prince Ernest and his younger brother have made their election to the sea, following the example of Prince William Henry, now commander of the Hebe frigate at Portsmouth, while Prince Augustus has chosen in preference the land service, to which he will not, however, be introduced till he has attained the age of sixteen years; he is now only in his thirteenth year. Prince Ernest enters the navy next spring, he having entered his fifteenth year. Prince Adolphus, who is only in his twelfth year, has two years more to complete his studies. For the forwarding of their knowledge in sea affairs as much as possible in theory, two very elegant models, one a first rate man of war, and the other a frigate, completely rigged and equipped, have been presented them; the first of which is a most ingenious piece of workmanship, being contrived so to open on one side, as to shew all the inner apartments from the quarter deck to the hold.

We are given to understand, that in consequence of the treaty between France and Holland, instructions have been sent to Mr Crawford to expedite the treaty of commerce between France and Great Britain. At the same time it is in contemplation to send to Paris another gentleman with more enlarged powers.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, we are informed, has taken almost all his letters of credit upon commercial houses in the city of Naples: a circumstance which seems to deny probability to the report of his Highness's intention to visit any part of the dominions of his Sardinian Majesty.

Dispatches were received yesterday from Jamaica, which were brought over in the Swallow packet, Captain Green. They give an account of several merchant-ships, which had been sent to America for lumber, being returned in ballast, not being suffered to load.

Letters from Lisbon, brought over in his Majesty's packet the Hanover, Captain Todd, contain an account of the safe arrival there of a number of ships from Newfoundland.

By the late accounts from Bermuda, that island is in a state of anarchy and confusion—divided into two parties equally powerful—carrying on an illicit trade with America in defiance of all law, and openly opposing the Governor in every measure attempted for the suppression of such trade. Governor Browne, totally at a loss what steps to pursue, dissolved the Assembly, and issued a proclamation, &c.

The arrival yesterday of the Swallow Packet, from Jamaica, has removed the anxiety of the West India merchants, touching the severe storm which the Ariel man of war met with on the 20th of September, near the Windward Islands. From the report of those on board, it was apprehended that Jamaica had been visited by a second hurricane; but the packet [illegible] the Kingston newspapers down to the 12th of Sept. of that island than could well be expected from the dreadful visitation on the 26th of August. By the same conveyance we are informed, that the Governor and Council had laid a general embargo on vessels that had above a certain quantity of provisions on board. and that the necessaries of life were in tolerable plenty and pretty reasonable. They had also been blessed with very seasonable weather; so that in many parts of the island the canes had recovered beyond expectation.

The Bull Dog sloop of war, with another of the King's vessels, had been dispatched, some days before the packet sailed, to the Spanish main, to bring off the troops which had been so long waiting there to embark for Jamaica, and from which delay a considerable number had fallen a sacrifice to the climate.

By a Gentleman arrived from an Oriental tour, we are informed, that Arabia has again produced a prophet and a warrior, who is beginning with success the career of the Impostor Mahomet. This man has already collected a large body of disciples and followers from the various tribes of Arabs. He forbids his disciples from pilgrimage to, or adoration at, the tomb of Mahomet, asserting, that the power of that prophet is now superseded by his mission. He has framed several new laws, in addition to his predecessor's, which, he says, the depravity of mankind has rendered necessary, and that he has long since been appointed by the Supreme Power to work a reformation. He keeps his troops in the most exact discipline, and has already seized on several strong posts. It is suspected, that his first step will be to fall on the Caravan from the Porte to Mecca. The event of this pretender is uncertain, but he bids fair for success. The Arabs, naturally of a fiery and turbulent disposition, wanted only a chief to unite, and lead them from their deserts. When we reflect, that from these people have sprung conquerors, who have subdued the East, we may reasonably suppose, it is not improbable that another uncommon revolution may take place.

We hear from unquestionable authority that one of his Majesty's cutters has been seized near Cowes for smuggling, and that another of the King's ships is under a similar disgrace for the same *honourable* practices; but what renders this circumstance an act of greater notoriety, is, that both the ship and cutter were acting under a commission from the Board of Customs!!!

Tuesday morning a rule was sent to the Marshal of the King's Bench, and notice was likewise sent to the Sheriffs of this city and county of Middlesex to attend Christopher Atkinson, Esq; sentenced to stand on the pillory for perjury, which sentence is to be put in execution to-morrow in the Corn-Market, Mark-Lane, and to see that the sentence is properly executed.

On Tuesday the 13th inst. came of age the Right Hon. John Christopher Burton Dawnay, Lord Viscount Downe, on which occasion Cowick Hall, the ancient seat of the family, was thrown open, and Mr Moore, his Lordship's steward, in the absence of his Lordship, by the direction of Lady Downe, his Lordship's mother, provided an exceeding large fat ox, several sheep, calves, hams, turkies, geese, many sorts of other fowls, with game, and every other article, which rendered the dinner truly elegant and substantial. The friends of his Lordship in the neighbourhood, as well as great numbers from the most distant parts of the county, were entertained with uncommon liberality. From as near a calculation as could be made, upwards of 500 dined in the rooms within the mansion, who were all well attended by servants appointed for that purpose. The strong beer was 21 years old, extremely good, as well as the ale and all other liquors. The order of the day, and the celebration thereof, did infinite honour to the conductors, whose directions were so punctually abided by and well observed amongst the attendants, that ease and regularity were the distinguished characteristics. Near 20 hogsheads of ale were carried into the park for the populace, who were astonishingly numerous on this occasion, consisting of upwards of 6000, who were treated with a most liberal profusion of eatables, as well as ale and strong beer, the former disposed on long tables erected for that purpose in the front of the mansion, the latter in large brewing vessels placed in many parts of the area. Never was there a public entertainment similar or better conducted than this by Mr Moore, to whom much praise is due for the same. The bells of Snaith and Carlton churches continued ringing all the day and night. After dinner the healths of the King, Queen, the Prince of Wales, and all the Royal Family, were drank, with those of many Noblemen, Gentlemen, and Ladies; and also the healths of Lady Downe and the rest of their family were echoed all over the house and park. The company parted about ten o'clock with the greatest harmony and satisfaction that could be wished for.

A few days since died, at Orton, in Westmoreland, the Rev. Richard Burn, L. L. D. Chancellor of the diocese of Carlisle, author of the Justice of Peace and Ecclesiastical Law.

Extract of a letter from an English Gentleman at Dantzick, dated Nov. 6. 1785.

"All our late accounts from Warsaw portend that some sudden commotion is ready to take place in this unfortunate country. Ever since the death of the late King Augustus, in 1763, Poniatowski, his successor, has worn a crown of thorns. His being patronized by the Empress of Russia, and his acquiescing in all the demands made by the Court of Petersburgh, have been long looked on with a jealous eye by the old nobility, many of whom have thrown themselves under the protection of the Grand Signor; a proceeding equally impolitic and unnatural. It is this party, who have been for some years employed in forming confederacies against the King, the Protestants, and Greek Dissidents, and who will probably in a short space make Poland a scene of misery, blood and devastation.

"One of the Chiefs in the pre-confederacy is of the ancient house of L——ski. He is said to be about 26 years of age, enterprizing, learned, sagacious, and valiant. The estates of our Dukes of Bedford and Marlborough united, do not equal his, which are said to contain 3600 towns and villages. His ancestor during the late disturbances, maintained 40,000 troops at his own expence. There are several others of the ancient families who are publicly making military arrangements, under pretence of self-preservation.

"Every thing, however, is at present peaceable in this city. God grant it may escape the general scene of confusion which is impending!"

Extract of a letter from Paris, Nov. 17.

"M. Louis, one of the first architects in Europe, is immediately to set off for Bourdeaux to superintend the building of thirteen streets in that city, which are to be called after the names of the thirteen United States of America, and to give square."

Extract of a letter from the Hague, Nov. 11.

"The answer made by the States of Holland and West Friesland to the King of Prussia's late expostulation, in favour of the Prince Stadtholder, is of the following tenor:

"Most high and most serene Lord and King,

"We have received in due time the letter, dated the 18th of September last, with which your Majesty has been pleased to favour us. It was with the liveliest satisfaction we found therein repeated assurances of your good-will and friendship towards the Republic, of which our Province constitutes the principal part. We know too well how to prize them both not to set a proper value on such favourable dispositions, and in the mean time testify our gratitude in the most solemn manner, our most ardent wish being that the Republic may long continue to enjoy so valuable a blessing. But the purer is our desire to cultivate them, the more sensibly were we affected, at finding by your letter, that one of the principal motives that occasioned its being written, is grounded on the information given to your Majesty, tending to insinuate, not only that we meant to deprive the Prince of Orange of a right that might belong to his quality of Hereditary Stadtholder and Captain General; but also, that from the state of affairs in this province, it appeared the real intention was to wrest from the said Prince successively, the most essential and important privileges belonging to the Stadtholdership, so as to leave him the bare title, and mere shadow.

"As far as such informations are confined to a vague and general statement of the real facts, it is hardly possible for us minutely to examine and enquire, whether without our knowledge and against our will, any attempt has been made here or there, which might be hinted at by so undetermined an exposition; but of this, we can assure your Majesty with that frank cordiality, vouched too by that love for justice which you are pleased to acknowledge in us, that however sensible we are of the necessity that enforces the putting an effectual stop to several abuses and encroachments, which only tend to the detriment of the country; and although we cannot refuse our concurrence to redress such grievances, yet we never have consented, nor shall at any time suffer, that any regulation be adopted contrary to our legal permanent constitution, or derogatory to the lawful rights of the Hereditary Stadtholder, or of any body else. We flatter ourselves, Sire, that the sincere assurances we here give to your Majesty will fully suffice to do away the unfavourable impressions, which may have been the consequences of erroneous, and, as it appears, entirely vague information, hoping that your Majesty will likewise not consider, from what hath been said more particularly, as we conjecture from your letter, our resolution of the 8th Sept. as an act levelled against the acknowledged and uncontestible rights of the said Stadtholder, as we can most positively aver, that neither the contents nor meaning of the said resolution chime even in the least article with what hath been represented, or have any tendency thereto.

"Nothing but our regard for your Majesty could induce us to enter into these explanations; though this consideration set aside, were it possible to discuss the subject, we should have stronger reasons to shew our concern at the thoughts which to all appearance have been suggested to your Majesty, concerning the aforesaid resolve, as such thoughts tend to make it doubtful, whether we are beyond dispute invested with the Sovereignty over this province, have a right to authorise, for our own safety, in order to repress the civil commotions which our own eyes have witnessed, and empower the assembly of our deputies, whose duty and department it is to look to such matters, and at whose deliberations the Prince of Orange has a right to assist, to call in the military garrisoned in this place, consisting mostly of our own guards, and form such detachments as might restore public order and tranquillity.

"We cannot therefore suspect the Prince having conveyed such informations, to complain, as it were, to your Majesty against us, since we must suppose in the Prince too clear a knowledge of our constitution, and too great an attachment to the relations which it gives him with us, to imagine him incapable of having taken a step which, in our opinion, would give birth to a system tending, if once admitted, to leave us nothing more than the empty name, the very shadow of Sovereignty.

"With a Monarch like you, Sire, who duly estimates the rights inseparable from sovereign power, we should certainly forfeit all claim to that regard and esteem which your Majesty is pleased to express for us, if, instead of watching with the utmost care over those prerogatives which incontestibly belong to us, we were to suffer them to be weakened by any kind of arrangement relative to one or the other parts thereof. This reason gives us cause to rest assured that the Prince of Orange will himself acknowledge our system of government, and be convinced that as we again repeat it, we are incapable of failing in regard to him, in any part of that justice and equity by which we constantly endeavour to distinguish our government; having nothing more at heart than to multiply the salutary effects which a due and just discharge of the high offices entrusted to that Prince, both in the Republic at large and this Province in particular, are calculated to produce for the good and welfare of the country and its inhabitants.

"As to the rest, we beg leave to refer your Majesty to the letter written with our consent, by the States General, on the 30th of Aug. 1784, to the contents of which we fully and readily subscribe. Permit us, Sire, to recommend the Republic and this Province to your Royal friendship, &c. We have the honour to be."

PRICE of STOCKS, Nov. 24.

Bank Stock, 136¼ a ⅜.	Ditto 1752, —
5 per cent. Ann. 104¼ a ⅜ a ½.	India Stock, —
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 85¼ a ⅜.	3 per cent. Ann. —
3 per cent. con. 68⅝ a ¼ a ⅜ a ½.	India Bonds paid, —
3 per cent. red. 67⅞ a ¾.	Ditto unpaid, 41 a 40 prem.
3 per cent. 1726, —	Navy Bills, —
Long Ann. 20¾ a ⅞.	Exch. Bills, —
Short Ann. 1778, 13 11-16ths a ¾.	Lottery Tickets, 14 l. 15 s.
South Sea Stock, —	
3 per cent. Old Ann. —	WIND AT DEAL,
Ditto New Ann. —	Nov. 23. N. N. E.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Nov. 24.

"The conversation in the most intelligent circles of politics, is, that too many difficulties in forming the treaty of commerce between France and Grear Britain will arise for the Minister to get rid of, and that nothing will, therefore, be done conclusively on the subject, till the meeting of Parliament.

"[illegible] resolved on in lieu of the duty on *shops*; so that considering the Minister has already laid one on *hats*, he will have it in his power, before he retires from office, to say, that he has taxed the people from *head* to *foot*!

"Mr Atkinson, the corn contractor, is certainly to stand in the pillory to-morrow. Betts, however, to the amount of thirty thousand pounds, were this day laid at the Royal Exchange, that he will yet get rid of this part of his sentence.

"Though Parliament will not meet, in all probability, before the 22d of January, the town begins to fill apace, and the public theatres to have very crouded audiences, probably owing, in a great measure, from the Prince of Wales's honouring the one or the other, every evening, with his presence."

Extract of a letter from Captain James Boyd to Captain John Hay, dated the 23d November, at Mablethop, by Alford, Lincolnshire.

"The half of the ship's cargo is landed, with little or no damage as yet. If it keeps good weather, the ship may come off at the lift of the stream. We liver every tide; and as we have a ground tire of porter, and there never having been more than three feet of water in the hold, it is to be hoped all will be got out. Be sure to acquaint all the merchants, that there will not be much damage."

On the 21st instant, was married at Logie, James Mansfield, Esq; banker in Edinburgh, to Miss Dalrymple, daughter to Lieutenant-General Horn Elphinstone.

On Saturday last, came on the election of the four annual Presidents of the Royal Medical Society, when, upon casting up the votes, the numbers stood as follows:—For

Thomas Beddoes, M. A. of Pembroke College, Oxford,	39
Caspar Wistar, M. B. of the University of Philadelphia,	34
Mr Richard Pearson, of Birmingham,	27
Samuel Hinds, of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge,	27
James Forfyth, M. D. from Belfast,	27

The two first Gentlemen being declared duly elected, the Society proceeded to determine, by a new election, the competition between the other three, when the numbers stood, for

Mr Pearson,	42
Dr Hinds,	35
Dr Forsyth,	25

whereupon the two first were also declared Presidents of this year.

Saturday night, Alexander Leitch, resident in Canongate, and James Wilmore, a soldier or recruit belonging to the 27th regiment of foot, present prisoners in the Tolbooth of Edinburgh, were served with copies of an indictment, at the instance of his Majesty's Advocate, to stand trial before the High Court of Justiciary, accused of repeated acts of housebreaking and theft.

The Duchess of Hamilton, Joseph Brodie master, from Dantzig, arrived at Cadiz the 30th September.

Tuesday being Newcastle annual Martinmas fair, on the stones, the shew of fat cattle was very large, and sold well in the morning, but in the afternoon fell in price considerably.

On Wednesday se'ennight, a mare belonging to a gentleman of Leeds was rode from that place to York, 24 miles, for 50 guineas. The time allowed was one hour and 20 minutes,

but was performed in one hour and 11 minutes. Very considerable betts were depending on this performance.

The ſhew of cattle at Soulmas fair, held at York on Monday laſt, was the largeſt that has been known for many years. Both fat and lean ſold lower than for ſome time paſt. Incalvers went off at good prices.

Extract of a letter from Dublin, Nov. 17.

"It muſt afford a pleaſing proſpect to the real friends of Ireland to be informed, that four Dutch merchants, whoſe capitals exceed 350,000 l. have arrived in this city, and are now making ſtrict ſearch after the moſt convenient place within fifteen miles of this metropolis, for eſtabliſhing and carrying on various branches of manufacture.

"A member of the Houſe of Commons, of great ability, has declared, that as ſoon as the buſineſs of the parliamentary reform ſhall again be brought upon the tapis, which we are aſſured will be early in the next ſeſſion, he will reveal ſuch a ſcene of miniſterial hypocriſy and duplicity, as never ſtained the annals of any age or country."

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

MANY of the counties in Scotland have ſtood forward to expreſs their diſapprobation of a bill now depending in Parliament, for diminiſhing the number of Judges in the Court of Seſſion, and have particularly reſted their objections on its being an infringement of the articles of Union, by which the ſubſiſtence of the Court, as then conſtituted, has been ſecured. It is probable, however, none of theſe counties may know, that by a bill which paſſed the Houſe of Commons laſt ſeſſion, the juriſdiction of the Court of Admiralty in Scotland, no leſs expreſsly ſecured by that treaty, was in ſo far as reſpects the power of condemning prizes, and conſequently, every intereſt which may ariſe to the ſubjects of this country from ſuch condemnation, actually ſurrendered, under a ſimilar pretext of eſtabliſhing a proper ſalary to the Judge. In what manner that bill was loſt, or whether, and at what time it is again to be brought forward, are circumſtances with which its movers have not yet choſen to acquaint the public. Without ſtopping to enquire when they mean to do ſo, or why they have not imitated the laudable example of the Honourable Gentleman who introduced the other bill, *in a due attention to its being printed for the purpoſe of notice*:—May we not ſuppoſe, that the people of Scotland, however unwilling to complain of a meaſure which has received the ſanction of one branch of the legiſlature, probably from its tendency in the above reſpect not having been underſtood or explained, will be apt to apply to the conduct of the movers and ſupporters of ſuch ſurrenders of the ancient juriſdictions of this country, for the ſake of adding to the emoluments of individuals, however juſt and reaſonable ſuch additions may be, the words of the poet,

——*Vendidit hic auro Patriam.*

I am, Sir, your, &c. IGNORAMUS.

FOR THE CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

To the MAGISTRATES *of* EDINBURGH.

GENTLEMEN,

THE rapid, yet ſteady and judicious progreſs you make in rendering this city commodious and elegant, excite the applauſe, the gratitude, perhaps alſo the ſurpriſe of your fellow-citizens. For while it is alledged, that *your predeceſſors* ſometimes required to be put in mind of their duty, not even bills of ſuſpenſion themſelves, preſented by the zealous ſticklers for liberty and property, can check *you* in your laudable career.

Among your late public improvements, I believe there is none which has afforded more univerſal ſatisfaction than the repair of Leith-Walk. Yet even with reſpect to this public avenue, for exerciſe, for health, and for buſineſs, but half your duty is done. *You have made an excellent road, but you have left it infeſted with banditti.*

The diſguſting objects which there practiſe their various devices for extorting of money, are the real pictures of vice; the aſſumed, or aggravated ſemblances of diſtreſs; and, inſtead of deſerving compaſſion, they excite indignation and abhorrence, and challenge the tardy ſcourge of the public magiſtrate.

Among theſe, Gentlemen, there are none which call ſo loudly for your attention, as a groupe of beings, who having debaſed human nature to a very low pitch of profligacy, attempt to cover their horrid character with the maſk of induſtry, valour, and misfortune; *I mean, the diſguiſe of lame ſailors.*

There are four, five, or more of theſe fellows, who, after rambling through the country during the ſummer months, have now *returned to their winter quarters in Edinburgh!* Their brogue ſufficiently beſpeaks the country from which *their propoſitions come*; and the characteriſtic inſolence and effrontery of ſuch fellows as theſe, have been the cauſe of a moſt unjuſt reproach being thrown upon their nation: For, whereas undiſcerning and partial people, are apt to judge of that country by theſe her natives, I apprehend that I conclude more juſtly, when I ſay, theſe are miſcreants and out caſts, which their own country could not endure; and which diſgrace the police of any country on the face of the earth, where they are ſuffered publicly to exerciſe their calling.

The inſult, the torture, they give to Ladies is little ſhort, (and, if I am rightly informed, ſometimes not ſhort at all) of actual robbery—And the inſolence they occaſionally ſhow to Gentlemen, who do not give them, what by a groſs proſtitution of the word, is called—*Charity*, deſerves ſuch an immediate chaſtiſement, as nothing but their own infamy could exempt them from. How far they may be in league with the more ſecret tribe of pick pockets, thieves and robbers, which infeſt the metropolis, is with me, only matter of conjecture.

Let it not be thought, Gentlemen, becauſe that vile hovel, the Town Guard-houſe, is pulled down, that the Guard itſelf is aboliſhed. Let ſome of the ſoldiers ſeize theſe miſcreants, and commit them to a vault on bread and water, or baniſh them the city.—So ſhall the men applaud you, the Ladies ſhall bleſs you, and I ſhall be, with ſtill greater reſpect, Gentlemen, your moſt obedient ſervant, HORATIO.

Edinburgh, 28th November 1785.

FOR THE CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

On the Demolition of the CITY GUARD.

LIKE to Old Gib's renowned rock,
I've ſtood the battle's thund'ring ſhock,
My foes ſtill fought in vain:
Yet diff'rent far has been my lot,
Tho' batter'd oft with red-hot ſhot,
I ne'er, ſave once, was ta'en.
War's ev'ry effort has been made,
The miner's tools, the pick the ſpade,
Each ſtratagem employ'd;
But not till now cou'd theſe ſucceed;
By treachery they've done the deed,
And me by *ſap* deſtroy'd.

As heretofore, in times of old,
Scotch Governors their maſter ſold
For ſake of dirty ore;
For paltry ſum of twenty pound,
My works were levell'd with the ground;
And I am now no more!

No more my ſons, of fartheſt north,
Shall from my bowels iſſue forth
To face the ſtony ſhower;
Nor razor, from the Iſle of Mull,
Shall peel the ſcalp from ſtupid ſkull
Of baker or of brewer.

Q.

ARRIVED AT GREENOCK, Nov. 23. Anne, Howie, from France; in ballaſt; Bee, Serimen, from Oſtend, in ditto: Jenny, Chiſholm, from Opporto, with wine.—24. Swallow, Robertſon, from Newfoundland, with goods.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, Nov. 26. Maria, Cruden, from Oporto and Guernſay, with wines, &c. Ann, Kydd, from Burdeax, with goods; Culloden, M'Laren, from Sealock, in ballaſt; Induſtry, Groom, from Lynn, with grain.—28. Fox, Renolds, from Queenſferry, in ballaſt; Thomas and Mary, Scotland, from Perth, with grain; Peggy, Chalmers, from Eaſdale, with ſlates; Anns Increaſe, Boyd, from North Berwick, with grain; Succeſs, Harlow, from Eaſdale, with ſlates.

PRICES OF GRAIN AT HADDINGTON, Nov. 25.

	Beſt.	Second.	Third.
Wheat,	21 s. 0 d.	20 s. 0 d.	18 s. 0 d.
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Oats,	13 0	11 6	10 0
Peaſe,	13 0	12 0	0 0

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A CARD.

IF the GENTLEMAN from the COUNTRY, who on the 29th July laſt, lodged at Wallace's Inn, Briſto Port, and who on the evening of that day left his name and addreſs with another Gentleman, whom he met in the New Town Coffeehouſe, will be ſo good as again repeat that favour, by leaving a note with Mr Ramſay, keeper of the Exchange Coffeehouſe, it will be eſteemed ſingularly obliging.

The former addreſs having been miſlaid, it is earneſtly hoped this freedom will be pardoned.

EDINBURGH, *November* 28 1785.

ATTORNEY TAX.

Ayr, November 26. 1785.

THE Society of WRITERS in Ayr met this day, and having now and formerly taken under their conſideration, the late act of Parliament, impoſing certain duties upon Solicitors and Procurators, practiſing before the inferior Courts in Scotland, have reſolved to appoint a Delegate, to meet with the Delegates from other Societies of Procurators, at Edinburgh, upon the 23d day of December next, to concert joint meaſures for obtaining relief from the taxes impoſed by the ſaid act.

SALE OF OLD NAVAL STORES.

By authority of the Honourable the Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Navy,

TO be SOLD by public auction, on Tueſday the 6th day of December 1785, at his Majeſty's Naval Storehouſes at Leith, a large quantity of OLD NAVAL STORES, returned from his Majeſty's ſhips in Leith Roads, conſiſting of Cables, Sails, Cordage, and other articles.

The roup to commence preciſely at ten o'clock forenoon.

N. B. And as a depoſit of 25 l. per cent. is to be made by the purchaſers, all perſons who attend the ſale are to take notice thereof, and come prepared accordingly; and unleſs they ſhall be paid for, and taken away by the end of thirty days, the depoſit will be forfeited, and become the property of the Crown.

The Stores will be ſhewen any day betwixt and the day of roup, by

JOHN THOMSON, Naval Storekeeper.

INN AT KINGHORN.

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, ſucceſſor to Daniel Monro, late vintner in Kinghorn, who retired from buſineſs at Whitſunday laſt, takes this method of returning his moſt grateful thanks to the Nobility, Gentry, and others, who have hitherto favoured him with their countenance and patronage, and, as it is his determined reſolution by every exertion and unwearied attention, to render their reception commodious and comfortable, he humbly ſollicits a continuation of their favours and protection.

At the commencement of buſineſs, Alexander Robertſon furniſhed himſelf with three neat poſt chaiſes, with proper horſes and careful drivers, which are always ready for the ſervice of the public, on the earlieſt notice; and this information he begs leave to communicate, becauſe ſome malicious, and intereſted perſons have thought proper to propagate a report, that he could not accommodate the public but with old chaiſes and horſes, and careleſs drivers.

SALE of HOUSES in CUPAR FIFE.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Houſe of Bartholomew Cockhurn vintner in Cupar, upon Tueſday the 24th January 1786, between the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon,

That HOUSE and TAVERN preſently poſſeſſed by George Barry vintner, lying at the head of the Bridge of Cupar, and conſiſting of three ſtories, with garrets.—The firſt or ground ſtorey, contains two parlours, kitchen, and cellar.—The ſecond a large dining-room, and two bed-rooms; and the third four handſome bed-rooms. The Houſe was rebuilt within theſe few years, is in good order, and well ſituated for a tavern.

Alſo to be SOLD along with the above Tavern, That HOUSE adjoining it, with the ſtables and hay-lofts, as preſently poſſeſſed by Andrew Duncan; and from which there is a back entry to the water of Eden.

For further particulars, apply to Robert Stark writer in Cupar; Henry Walker writer there, in whoſe hands the progreſs of writs may be ſeen; or to George Tod writer in Edinburgh.

To be SOLD by Private Bargain,

THE Lands and Eſtate of PRESTONHALL, lying within the pariſh of Cranſtown, and ſhire of Edinburgh. The houſe and offices are in complete repair, and fit for the immediate reſidence of any family.

Apply to Charles Gordon, writer to the ſignet, who has power to conclude a bargain.

STEWARTRY OF KIRKCUDBRIGHT.

AT a County Meeting for this ſtewartry, held at Kirkcudbright on the 15th day of November 1785, in conſequence of previous advertiſement, for the conſideration of the propoſed reduction of the number of the Judges, the Meeting came to the following reſolutions.

I. That anciently, civil as well as criminal cauſes being tried in Scotland by jury, until this right is reſumed by the nation, the number of Judges is an eſſential part of the conſtitution of the Court of Seſſion; and that, to alter their number, as in the propoſed bill, under pretence of a regulation, is highly dangerous to the rights of Scotland.

II. That the articles of Union only permit the Britiſh Parliament to make mere regulations; but ſtipulate, that the conſtitution of the Court ſhall remain the ſame in all time to come.

III. That the clauſe of the propoſed bill confirming acts of ſederunt, and thus giving to the Judges a right to make the moſt important regulations, even to the alteration of laws, is delegating to them a power of legiſlation, which the people chuſe to repoſe only in their own repreſentatives.

IV. That to leave a ſeat on that Bench ſo long vacant as has now been done, and thereby to attempt to diminiſh the number of Judges, without the authority even of a Britiſh Parliament, is a precedent highly unconſtitutional.

V. That the conſtitution of the Court of Seſſion may indeed be ſuſceptible of improvement, as in that Bench is concentrated the powers of Judges, Juries, and Legiſlators: Juries being now diſuſed by that Court in all civil, and in ſuch criminal caſes as they now try; and acts of ſederunt having been made not warranted by law, and to which the force of the law has been given; yet eſſential changes in the conſtitution of the Court, as they would be alterations of the articles of the Union, can only be made by conſent of the people of Scotland, previouſly obtained in a public manner.

This Stewartry hereby appoints, the Earl of Selkirk, Lord Daer, Mr Gordon of Culvennan, Mr Miller, younger of Glenlee, Mr Heron of Heron, and Mr Copland of Colliſton, to meet at Edinburgh, with ſuch noblemen and gentlemen as other counties appoint to confer on this important bill.

(Signed) SELKIRK, Preſes.

LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF PERTH

TO BE SOLD—BY ADJOURNMENT.

THERE will be expoſed to SALE by public roup, under authority of the Lords of Council and Seſſion, within the Parliament or New ſeſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, upon Thurſday the 1ſt day of December 1785, betwixt the hours of four and eight in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills, at a reduced price,

Thoſe parts of the Lands and Eſtate of KILGRASTON, ſtill remaining unſold, being Lot III. called the lands of KIRKPOTTIE, MEIKLEFIELDIES, and CLOCHRIDGESTONE, lying contiguous in the pariſh of Dron, and within four miles of the town of Perth. They conſiſt of 676 acres 1 rood 36 falls, 264 acres 3 roods and 9 falls whereof have been planted, in the view of building a Manſion-houſe. The plantations are in high order, and the lands hold of the Crown, and the proprietor will be entitled to vote at the election of a member of Parliament for the county.

The free proven rent of this Lot, after deducing public burdens, is 208 l. 15 s. 5 d. 11-12ths.—The woods upon the lands are valued at 1334 l.; and the upſet price, including the value of the wood, will be 5334 l. 6 s. 7 d. 6-12ths.

The articles of roup are to be ſeen at the office of Mr John Callender, depute-clerk of Seſſion; and the progreſs of writs, rentals and plans of the lands, will be ſhown by William Lumſdaine, clerk to the ſignet, who will inform as to other particulars.—John Rutherford, jun. writer in Perth, the preſent factor, will alſo ſhow rentals, and William Chalmers at Kilgraſton will ſhow the grounds.

LANDS IN AYRSHIRE,

SHOPS AND HOUSES IN PRINCE'S STREET.

TO be SOLD by public roup in the Exchange Coffeehouſe, on Wedneſday the 18th January next, betwixt five and ſix o'clock afternoon,

The Lands of WILLOW YARDS, in the pariſh of Beith, and ſhire of Ayr, conſiſting of about 175 Engliſh acres of arable land, well incloſed and ſubdivided into fifteen fields, and let by one leaſe to three ſubſtantial tenants for 19 years at 150 l. per annum.

This farm is pleaſantly ſituated along the ſide of Kilburny Loch, which abounds with pike and perch. It is within half a mile of Beith, a poſt and market town, where extenſive manufactories are carried on in ſilk, cotton, and linen. It is eight miles weſt of Paiſley on the road to Irvine, and in the exact center between Paiſley, Irvine, Kilmarnock, and Greenock.

Upon this property there is a good houſe, and garden ſtocked with fruit trees, and an elegant court of offices newly erected.

A valuable Flag and Stone Quarry has been opened in the ground; and it is believed there are both coal and limeſtone in it, but both theſe articles are in ſuch plenty, and ſo near indeed, that no eſſay has been made for them.

There are about ten acres of wood, and a good deal of timber on this farm; and thriving belts of planting ſurround the greateſt part of it. The tenants are bound to preſerve the planting and woods, which are fully fenced.

There will be ſold, at the ſame time, THREE STOREYS of the CORNER HOUSE ſituated at the eaſt end of Prince's Street, New Town, Edinburgh, in three lots.

The firſt lot is occupied by Mr Spottiſwood as a Carron warehouſe, and by Mr Walker as a hotel. The ſecond lot, under the above, is occupied by David Smith grocer, and Alexander Smith upholſterer. The third lot is the ſunk ſtorey, occupied by Mr Comb as an oyſter-houſe: It conſiſts of five rooms and a kitchen, beſides cellars under the pavement, which will be divided amongſt the purchaſers of the different lots.

The title-deeds of theſe ſeveral ſubjects, and the articles of roup, are in the hands of James Buchan writer to the ſignet, who has power to conclude a private bargain previous to the day of ſale.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

JUDICIAL SALE of LANDS and SUPERIORITIES IN THE STEWARTRY OF KIRKCUDBRIGHT.

TO be SOLD within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Thurſday the 8th of December next, betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon,

The Lands and Superiorities after mentioned, which belonged to JOHN COLTART of Areeming, being all parts of the Barony of Kirkpatrick-Durham.

LOT I. The Lands of NETHER KNOCKWALLOCH, Upper and Nether Culfad, and Mill of Lochpatrick.

The proven free rent is - - L. 107 18 7 6-12ths.
And the proven value whereof at 23 years purchaſe, being held of the Crown, is - - L. 2482 8 4 6-12ths

Theſe lands give a qualification in the county upon the old extent.

LOT II. The Superiority of the Lands of Auchenhay, Boghall, Moſſide, Kirkmeadow, Barmoſſatic, Minnidow, Culſhangan, and Knockwalloch.

The yearly feu-duties payable from theſe lands are L. 2 3 3
And the proven value thereof is L. 214 0 0

LOT III. The Superiority of the Lands of Neilſon's Kirkland, Turner's Kirkland, Upper Macartney and teinds thereof, Bardarroch, Corſe, Barbain, Over Barr, Nether Barr, Holehouſe, and Sourhill.

The yearly feu and teind duties payable therefrom are - - L. 1 15 5 11-12ths
And the proven value whereof is L. 259 0 0

LOT IV. The Superiority of the Lands of Kirklebride, Areeming, Upper and Nether Drumhumphreys, Tarbreach and Garmartine.

The yearly feu-duties payable therefrom are L. 1 6 8 11-12ths
And the proven value thereof is - L. 229 0 0

Theſe three laſt lots afford each a qualification in the county upon the valued rent, but the purchaſers muſt ſatisfy themſelves as to that, and likewiſe as to the qualification on the old extent of lot 1ſt.

LOT V. The Superiority of the Lands of Nether Macartney and teinds thereof.

The yearly feu and teind duty payable therefrom is - - - L. 1 4 9 4-12th
And the proven value thereof, is - L. 68 0 0

The Lands of Nether Macartney are valued at L. 134 Scots.

The titles and articles of roup may be ſeen at the office of Mr Kirkpatick, depute clerk of ſeſſion; and further information will be got by applying to John Thomſon writer in Kirkcudbright, factor upon the ſubjects.

SALE OF LANDS NEAR GLASGOW.

TO be SOLD by private bargain, the Farm of Eaſter Mailing of Eaſter Queenſly, lyingon the banks of the Monkland Canal, about three miles diſtant from Glaſgow. The vicinity of theſe lands to that city, render them a very fit ſituation for building a Villa, which will command an extenſive view of a very fine country, and may at a very ſmall expence be completely ſheltered with trees.

Mr Benjamin Barton, writer in Glaſgow, will inform as to the rental and other particulars. The tenant will ſhow the grounds, and any perſon inclining to purchaſe may apply to Mr Robert Playfair writer, Liberton's Wynd, Edinburgh, who has powers to ſell, and will ſhow the progreſs of writs, with a plan of the lands.

VILLA near Edinburgh, and HOUSE in Argyle's Square.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, on Tueſday the 27th day of November curt. betwixt the hours of five and ſeven in the afternoon,

That VILLA in Broughton, near Edinburgh, which belonged to the late Thomas Shairp, Secretary of the Royal Bank, with the Garden and Shrubbery belonging thereto, and with coach-houſe, ſtable, and other offices. The Houſe conſiſts of five rooms, kitchen, and ſeveral conveniencies. It is finiſhed with uncommon taſte and elegance, and commands a moſt beautiful and extenſive proſpect. Alſo that piece of GROUND, conſiſting of about one acre Scots meaſure, adjoining the above, on the ſouth-weſt, with a coach-road from Broughton Loan. This ground, which is without the Royalty of Edinburgh, from its vicinity to Queenſtreet, may be built on with great advantage; and the form of a ſquare projected upon this ground, by the late Mr Shairp, may be ſeen.

Alſo That HOUSE in Argyle's Square, upon the ſouth ſide, preſently poſſeſſed by Miſs Bruce, conſiſting of eight rooms, kitchen, cellars, back-area, and other conveniencies.

The houſe at Broughton may be ſeen at any time; and the houſe in Argyle's ſquare on Tueſdays and Fridays between one and three o'clock.

The title-deeds and plan of the ground at Broughton, and the conditions of ſale, to be ſeen in the hands of John Campbell writer to the ſignet.

Sale of Lands in Dumfries-ſhire.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 14th of December 1785, betwixt the hours of five and ſix o'clock afternoon,

The Lands of HOTTS, BETWIXT-THE-WATERS, FOULTOWN and others, with the pertinents, which belonged to the deceaſed Dr George Bell, lying in the pariſh of Middlebie, ſtewartry of Annandale, and ſheriffdom of Dumfries, in the following Lots:

LOT I. The Lands of Betwixt-the-Waters, as preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs Bell and Andrew Little; and the Lands of Foultown, as preſently poſſeſſed by Richard Irving, at the upſet-price of L. 2000 0 0

This Lot includes a conſiderable quantity of valuable old timber, eſtimated by ſkilful perſons to be worth upwards of 300 l. beſides ſeveral thriving young plantations. The manſion-houſe, garden, and orchard, are alſo ſituated on this lot. The whole will be out of leaſe at Candlemas and Whitſunday next, when the purchaſer may enter to the natural poſſeſſion, if he thinks proper. The lands will let for upwards of 80 l. of yearly rent, on a 15 years leaſe.

LOT II. The Lands of Hotts, as preſently poſſeſſed by Chriſtopher Smith and John Lawſon, at the upſet-price of L. 1050 0 0

The tack of thoſe lands expires at Candlemas 1788; the preſent yearly rent is 45 l. 8 s. 3 d. beſides caſualties. The late Mr Bell paid 1300 l. for them, about 12 years ago, and they have ſince been conſiderably improved.

LOT III. The Lands of Whitelees, as preſently poſſeſſed by William Rae, at the upſet-price of - - L. 450 0 0

LOT IV. The Lands of Gilmartin, preſently poſſeſſed by William Little, at the like upſet-price of L. 450 0 0

The tacks of theſe two farms are current for four years after Candlemas and Whitſunday next, at the yearly rent of 17 l. 10 s. each, beſides caſualties. As they are capable of great improvement, a conſiderable riſe of rent may be expected on the expiry of the leaſes. The crops on theſe lands, and on the whole eſtate, have been, for theſe many years paſt, uncommonly good, and the tenants are very thriving; the ſituation of the lands, being in every reſpect convenient, both for procuring the means of improvement and diſpoſing of the produce.

The whole eſtate is held of a ſubject-ſuperior for payment of a triffling feu-duty, and the tenants pay all public burdens, except the ſtipend, which is 3 l. 4 s. 7 d. yearly.

The articles of roup, progreſs of writs, ſearches of encumberances, and rental, are to be ſeen in the hands of Alexander Young writer in Edinburgh. The tacks and plans of the eſtate are lodged with Mr George Richardſon of Pearſbyhall, who will ſhow the lands; and copies of the articles and rental with Mr James Graham writer in Dumfries; to any of whom perſons wanting further information may apply.

Offers for a private ſale of the whole eſtate will be received any time before the day of roup.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Thurſday the 15th day of December 1785, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven in the afternoon,

The Lands and Mill of GLACK, the Lands of OLD CRAIG and KIRKTOWN, and the Lands of DAVIOT;

lying in the pariſhes of Daviot and Chapel of Garioch, and county of Aberdeen; conſiſting of 1188 acres or thereby; the preſent rent 322 l. 8 s. 8 d. Sterling money, 147 bolls meal, 9 bolls bear, and about 20 dozen of poultry, beſides carriages and ſervices. The public burdens are about 23 l. money, and 10 bolls victual.

There is upon the lands a commodious manſion-houſe, gardens, and offices; and a complete ſet of farm-houſes, barns, byres, &c. lately built and ſlated. The farm ſurrounding the houſe (planting included) contains about 150 acres, properly fenced, and divided into regular incloſures, well ſupplied with water, and ſheltered by belts of planting and hedges, in the moſt thriving condition. The adjoining farm of Weſtmains, of about 80 acres, was lately taken into the proprietor's natural poſſeſſion; is ſurrounded by an outer fence, and ſome ſubdiviſions. It is charged in the rental at no more than 15 l. paid for the graſs 1783, though when ſet to a tenant it paid 10 l. money, and 24 bolls meal. On this farm is a proper ſteading of houſes of all kinds for a tenant; and the farm would now ſet to great advantage for plowing.

The whole of theſe lands lie contiguous; and hold of the Crown, and ſtand rated in the ceſs-books at above 700 l. Scots. No part of the lands is thirled to any mill, except one ſmall poſſeſſion; and there is a good mill on the eſtate. There are moſſes upon the lands, which the tenants have been prevented from uſing, as the lands have ſervitudes upon the moſſes of Wartlie and Mounie, in the neighbourhood.—By charter from the Crown there is right to two yearly fairs, which are regularly held at the Kirktown of Daviot, in June and October, and alſo a right to a weekly market.

The ſoil is good, and ſituation pleaſant, in the centre of that beautiful and healthy country the GARRIOCH, over which there is a very fine proſpect. The acceſs is eaſy, the roads good; a regular poſt paſſes three times in the week, very near the manſion-houſe.

The farm about the houſe is well deſigned, and was improved at a large expence. It is at preſent all in graſs, laid down in excellent condition; the greateſt part a good many years ago. No rent is put upon the manſion-houſe, gardens, &c. nor upon about 50 acres of ground under planting, ſome of it of the beſt quality. Nor is any value put upon the wood, conſiſting of Oak, Aſh, Elm, Plane, Fir, &c. full grown, which are worth, and would yield immediately, a conſiderable ſum. The young wood in the belts and planting conſiſt of all the various foreſt trees reared in Scotland.

For the encouragement of Purchaſers, the Upſet Price will be only 8000 l. Sterling; a ſum thought by competent and impartial judges to be conſiderably under the real value of the ſubjects.

The title deeds, rental, current leaſes, plans of the lands, and conditions of ſale, are to be ſeen in the hands of William Walker attorney in Exchequer; to whom, or to Mr Farquharſon accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to ſell by private bargain, perſons willing to purchaſe will apply. William Glennie, at the houſe of Glack, will ſhow the lands, and a copy of the rental.

EXCISE-OFFICE, EDINBURGH, 25th NOVEMBER 1785.

BY ORDER OF

The Honourable Commiſſioners of Exciſe

ON Friday the 2d of December next, at twelve o'clock noon, there will be expoſed to ſale by public auction, within the Hall of the Exciſe Office, Edinburgh,

Several Parcels of BLACK and GREEN TEA, SOPE, STARCH, CANDLES, TALLOW, PEWTER MOULDS, PRINTED LINEN, and the MATERIALS of a number of SMALL STILLS, lately condemned before His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace.

The Goods and conditions of ſale to be ſeen at the Exciſe Warehouſe in Edinburgh on the day before, and on the morning of the day of ſale.

HOUSE TO SELL.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 30th day of November curt. betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

A Genteel LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE, in the High-School Square, Edinburgh, preſently poſſeſſed by Mr Congalton the proprietor, conſiſting of three ſtories, and an attic ſtory. On the firſt or ſunk ſtory, there is a kitchen, ſervants rooms, and a number of other conveniences. On the ſecond floor, a dining-room, and elegant drawing-room, with a large bow window to the eaſt. On the third floor, there are two excellent bed-rooms, and a dreſſing-room; and in the attic ſtory, there are two good bed-rooms with cloſets. Behind the houſe is a back court or area, containing water pipe, cellars, and a number of other conveniences.

The ſituation of the above houſe is remarkably free and airy, being open both to the eaſt and weſt; and from its vicinity to the High School, ſeems particularly well calculated for the education of a young family. The houſe has eaſy acceſs from the ſquare, and the proprietor of it has the privilege of a large green bank behind the Surgeons-Hall for drying clothes or walking, &c.

For particulars apply to Samuel Mitchelſon clerk to the ſignet, Carrubber's Cloſe, who will treat with any perſon that wiſhes to make a private bargain betwixt and the day of ſale.

The houſe may be ſeen every forenoon; and the key will be found at Miſs Elliot's, Brown Square. And if a private bargain is concluded, the purchaſer may enter to poſſeſſion immediately, or at Martinmas next.

FEU-DUTIES to be SOLD, And GROUND to be FEUED,

In the neighbourhood of the Regiſter Office, Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by public roup, in the houſe of Charles Walker vintner, Writers Court, Edinburgh, on Friday the 16th December next, between the hours of ſix and ſeven in the evening,

About THREE HUNDRED POUNDS Sterling of the yearly FEU-DUTIES in St James's Square, and neighbourhood thereof, to be expoſed together, or in ſeparate lots, from 50 l. to 10 l. as purchaſers ſhall chuſe. If in one lot, to be ſet up at twenty years purchaſe; and if in ſeparate lots, to be ſet up at twenty-one years purchaſe.

The progreſs of writs and conditions of ſale, to be ſeen in the hands of Mr Alexander Keith, writer to the ſignet, who has power to conclude a private bargain before the day of the roup.

And to be Feued, a number of Areas for building on, cloſe adjoining to the ſaid Square, all *without the Royalty*. For particulars apply to Mr Keith, or to the proprietor Mr Ferguſon, Buchannan's Court, Lawn-Market, Edinburgh.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

SALE of the LANDS of DRYBURGH,

AND THE UPSET PRICE REDUCED.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 18th of January next, at five o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtate of DRYBURGH, and NETHER MAINS of BIMERSIDE, lying in the pariſh of Mertoun, and county of Berwick; the free yearly rent whereof is about 280 l. Sterling. This eſtate lies in a fine country, about eight miles above Kelſo. The ſituation of it is deſervedly thought to be among the moſt beautiful in Scotland, being almoſt ſurrounded by the river Tweed, and covered with fine old wood of all kinds, which is of conſiderable value. The property of the Old Abbacy of Dryburgh belongs to the eſtate, which, next to Melroſe, is the fineſt ruin of the kind in that country. There is a tolerable houſe upon the eſtate. There is very good ſalmon-fiſhing in the river Tweed; and the lands themſelves, and neighbouring grounds afford every other country amuſement in great perfection. The valued rent entitles the proprietor to a vote in the county.

For further particulars, apply to Archibald Tod, writer to the ſignet, who will ſhow the rentals, &c. and to whom perſons inclining to purchaſe by private bargain may alſo apply. Mr Finlayſon, the farmer at Dryburgh, will ſhow the grounds.

SALE OF LANDS IN BERWICK-SHIRE.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the ExchangeCoffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 12th December 1785, betwixt the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

THE Lands and Eſtate of ANGELRAW, lying in the pariſh, and within three miles of the town of Greenlaw, conſiſting of 200 acres or thereby, and paying of yearly rent 150 l. Sterling. The leaſe thereof expires at Whitſunday 1786, and an additional rent has been offered. The lands hold of the Crown, are all incloſed and ſubdivided, of a good ſoil, and capable of farther improvements, having ready acceſs to lime by the Greenlaw turnpike-road. There is on the premiſſes a manſion-houſe, with garden and orchard, and a complete farm-ſteading. The teinds are valued.

ALSO, the Farm and Lands of REEDYLOCH, lying in the pariſh of Edrom, within three miles of the town of Dunſe, conſiſting of 150 acres, or thereby, paying of yearly rent 100 l. Sterling, and holding of a ſubject ſuperior for payment of 1 l. Scots of feu-duty.

The lands are of a very good ſoil, lying along the north ſide of Blackadder water, all incloſed and ſubdivided. The farm-ſteading is very complete, being built a few years ago.

The rentals, progreſs of writs (which are clear) and conditions of ſale, are to be ſeen in the hands of John Cockburn writer in Dunſe; or by applying to William Pringle writer, at Mr Cornelius Elliot's, writer to the ſignet.

FOR COUGHS, HOARSENESSES, &c. PECTORAL LOZENGES OF TOLU,

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BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD by public roup or auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 30th day of November 1785, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

The Lands and Barony of BANNOCKBURN,

with the Coal, and Mills, and the Harbour, and Coalfolds at Fallinpow, lying in the pariſh of St Ninians, and ſhire of Stirling, within three miles of the town of Stirling, upon the great roads leading from Stirling to Edinburgh, and to Glaſgow.

Theſe lands conſiſt, conform to a plan, of 796 Scots acres of property; and 264 acres feued out to different perſons; all holding of the Crown, are rated in the land-tax books at 1219 l. 11 s. 8 d. Scots; and the purchaſer will have right to the tithes.

The nett rent of the land eſtate (excluſive of the coal) for crop 1783, was 762 l. 7 s. Sterling, including therein the price of 20 bolls malt, and 54 bolls oat meal, at 16 s. per boll.

There is a large Manſion-houſe with ſuitable offices. Alſo a large garden and orchard, and a pigeon-houſe on the premiſſes, and a ſalmon fiſhing at Fallinpow, none of which are included in the rent-roll. There is alſo a great number of fine full grown timber trees, conſiſting of oak, aſh, beach, and elm, &c. of conſiderable value; with ſeveral young plantations of various kinds of wood, very thriving.

The lands are generally incloſed and ſubdivided, partly with ſtone dykes, and partly with thriving hedges.—From their ſituation in a populous country, where extenſive manufactures are carried on, and where coal, and all the articles of living are cheap; and from their vicinity to lime, and good roads, they are capable of great improvements, and increaſe of rent. Some farms are now open, which will riſe; and when the other leaſes which are current expire, a few years hence, a conſiderable advance may be depended on over the whole eſtate; and great advantage may be derived from feuing, and from erecting mills on the water of Bannockburn.

There is a valuable field of marle upon the eſtate, to which a level is carried up. Alſo two yearly fairs, and a weekly market.

The coal of Bannockburn is extenſive, conſiſting of different ſeams, level free, and is well known to be of the beſt quality, and of great value. It has for years paſt yielded a nett profit, after defraying oncoaſt and all expences, of about 1500 l. per annum, as will appear from the coal books, and it may be wrought to a much greater extent if the proprietor inclines: For, beſides the demand from the town of Stirling and the country around, there is a harbour and fold and other conveniencies at Fallinpow, on the Frith of Forth, belonging to the eſtate, where a ſea ſale may be carried on to a great advantage.

A purchaſe in itſelf more complete, of better and more convenient ſituation for intercourſe with Edinburgh, Glaſgow, Stirling, and the Frith of Forth, &c. and capable of higher improvement, rarely occurs in the market.

The tacks, rent-roll, plan, progreſs of writs, and conditions of ſale, are to be ſeen in the hands of John Moir writer to the ſignet; and for further particulars application may be made to him, or to John Dundas writer to the ſignet, or John M'Killop writer in Stirling, or to Alexander Farquharſon accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to ſell by private bargain. William Thomſon overſeer of the coal at Bannockburn will ſhow the eſtate, and the coal books.

JUDICIAL SALE OF STRALOCH.

TO be SOLD, by authority of the Lords of Council and Seſſion, upon Thurſday the 1ſt day of December next, between the hours of four and ſix afternoon, within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe, Edinburgh,

The WHOLE LANDS and ESTATE belonging to JOHN ROBERTSON of Straloch, all lying within the pariſhes of Mouline and Kirkmichael, and ſhire of Perth, in the following LOTS, viz.

LOT I. The Lands of LAIR with the pertinents, lying in the pariſh Kirkmichael, whereof the proven groſs rental is 15 l. 10 s. 6 d. 8-12ths.

And the upſet-price whereof, at 25 years purchaſe, is - - L. 321 2 9 4-12ths

There is on this lot the ſtrongeſt indications of a lead mine, of a promiſing appearance. There is alſo a conſiderable quantity of birch wood, no part of which is valued or brought into the groſs rental, which has not been raiſed for above 70 years.

LOT II. Lands of EASTER ENNOCH, including Craiggie, with the pertinents, lying in ſaid pariſh of Kirkmichael, whereof the proven groſs rental is, 6 l. 6 s. 9 d. 8-12ths.

And the upſet-price whereof, at 25 years purchaſe, after all uſual deductions, is - 129 15 6 8-12ths

The rent of this ſmall lot is alſo low, and will double upon a new ſet.

LOT III. The Lands of INVERCHROSKIE, with the teinds and pertinents, lying in ſaid pariſh of Kirkmichael, whereof the proven groſs rental is 60 l. 19 s. 1 d. 6-12ths.

And the upſet-price thereof, at 25 years purchaſe, after all uſual deductions, is - 1439 11 3 10-12ths

There is likewiſe on this lot ſome birch wood not valued in the rental.

LOT IV. The Lands of GLENDERBY or GLENGYNATE, with the teinds and pertinents, lying in ſad pariſh of Kirkmichael, whereof the proven groſs rental is 32 l. 2 s.

And the upſet price thereof, at 25 years purchaſe, after all uſual deductions, is 1235 16 8

LOT V. The Lands of TARVIE, with the pertinents, lying in the pariſh of Mouline, whereof the proven groſs rental is 35 l. 8 s. 2 d. 8-12ths.

And the upſet-price thereof, at 25 years purchaſe, after all uſual deductions, is 670 13 5 8-12ths

LOT VI. Pendicle called STOTHERD's CROFT, whereof the proven groſs rental is 4 l.

And the upſet-price thereof, at 25 years purchaſe, after all deductions, is - - 81 2 6

LOT VII. The Ten-Pound Land of STRALOCH and Pertinents, (excluſive of ſaid pendicle called *Stotherd's Croft*) lying in ſaid pariſh of Mouline, whereof the proven groſs rental is 70 l. 15 s. 6 d.

And the upſet price thereof, after all uſual deductions, is - - - L. 1432 5 0

There is a plantation of between 30,000 and 40,000 firs on this Lot, beſides a deal of birch wood, not valued in the rental.

LOT VIII. Lands of GLENFERNATE, lying in ſaid pariſh of Mouline, whereof the proven rental is 77 l. 11 s.

And the upſet price thereof, after all uſual deductions, is - - - L. 1571 5 5

Total upſet price of theſe lands, L 6881 12 8 6-12ths

Beſides other advantages attending theſe lands, ſuch as limeſtone, plenty of good moſs, and ſtrong appearances of marl, &c. which moſt of them poſſeſs, the Lots, No. III. IV. V. VII. and VIII. command each an extenſive hill, very improveable, being of the beſt quality, and known to be amongſt the beſt ſheep walks in that country. The two laſt Lots in particular, viz. The Ten-Pound Land of Straloch, and Lands of Glenfernate, if purchaſed by one proprietor, would, from their quality great extent, and ſituation, form perhaps one of the completeſt ſheep farms in the Highlands of Scotland, (the fine hill of Glenfernate alone, being computed about 3000 Acres) affording excellent paſture in ſummer, with hay and ſhelter for winter.

The whole of the above-mentioned lands, excepting Lair and Glenderby, will be out of leaſe at Whitſunday 1787, and great part of them at Whitſunday next.

The title-deeds, proven rentals, with the articles and conditions of ſale, will be ſeen in the office of Mr Thomas Bruce, depute-clerk of Seſſion; or, in the hands of Adam Stewart, writer in Edinburgh, of whom further particulars may be had.

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